

Committee to recommend a parallel pension scheme for unorganized sector. However, under its terms of reference, the Second National Commission on Labour set up by the Government on 15.10.1999 is expected to suggest an umbrella legislation for ensuring a minimum level of protection to the workers in the unorganized sector.

Notices to fertilizer companies for recovery of dues

2955. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether ESI and the State Provident Fund Department have issued notice to certain fertilizer companies to recover outstanding Government money from them;
- (b) if so, the details of such companies separately;
- (c) whether Government have prepared any strategy to recover the said amount;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

Three wheelers at easy instalments

† 2956. SHRI MOHD. AZAM KHAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to provide three wheelers on easy instalments on humanitarian ground to such rickshaw pullers all over the country whose names appear in the Municipality records by the year 2000;
- (b) whether Government propose to take any decision to ensure

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

implementation of uniform law across the country by lifting the existing ban imposed on rickshaw pulling in some parts of the country; and

(c) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) to (c) There is no specific proposal under consideration of the Government at present for providing three wheelers on easy instalments to rickshaw pullers all over the country. Pulling of rickshaws in Municipal areas is regulated by respective Municipal Corporations and local Authorities of various State Governments, keeping in view the prevailing situation of the areas concerned.

Welfare of child labourers

2957. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the policies and programmes adopted by Government for welfare of the child labourers have not yielded the desired results; and
(b) if not, how far these programmes have helped the child labourers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) The Government of India has been implementing two schemes for rehabilitation of children withdrawn from work, namely the scheme of National Child Labour Projects (NCLP) and scheme of Grants-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisation. 96 NCLPs have been sanctioned in 13 child labour endemic States for the rehabilitation of about 2.00 lakh children withdrawn from work. The Scheme of NCLPs envisages mainstreaming of children into formal schools within a maximum period of 3 years. As per information received from 31 NCLPs about 23,000 children have been mainstreamed into formal schools so far. Awareness generation activities to sensitise